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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir

This is a Response to the Office Action bearing a Notification Date of 05/18/2007 in the above-identified patent application, the date for response to which is extended by three months to 11/19/2007 (11/18/2007 falling on a Sunday) by the accompanying Request for Three Month Extension of Time (PTO/SB/22).

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include 3 attached replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.